

Approved BOARD MINUTES July 27, 2017

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 8 am by Mayor Manicki, who led the pledge to the flag and welcomed those in attendance to the meeting.

PRESENT: Mayor Manicki, Trustees: Overhoff, and Green. Superintendent Sitzman, Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak, Deputy Clerk Galbraith, Attorney Trapp, CEO Czechowski and attorney Shannon Heneghan for Better Buffalo Properties (Alden Landings)

Absent: Trustee Daluisio and Warmus

MOTION by Trustee Green seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2017 meeting. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated July 27, 2017. Carried.

Payroll	\$44,509.70
Abstract	\$37,098.01

MOTION by Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the following reports: for May – Treasurer’s report, Planning Board for June & July, Erie County Sheriff for June. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

List of foreclosure eligible properties in the Village of Alden, 2017 Annual report of the Dept. of Real Property Tax Services for Erie County – 2016 equalization rates, 2016-17 tax rates. Thank you notes from PERMA and the Sitzman family, meeting notice from Village Officials Association, refund request from Thompkins Insurance, notice of rate increases from Charter Communications, notice to Better Buffalo Properties and Alden Village Estates on outstanding items for park license renewal. Newsletters from Alden Chamber of Commerce and J O’Connell Grant consultants. Meeting minutes from: Alden Chamber of Commerce, Erie County Village Officials and Town of Alden.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff, seconded by Trustee Green, to file as received all correspondence. Carried.

RESOLUTIONS/APPOINTMENTS/REQUESTS/MOTIONS:

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for July 27, 2017,

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Green, to approve Attorney Trapp’s recommendation to no longer pursue ambulance collection possibilities to call nos. 0726161718 and 0819160805. Dates of Service – 7/26 and 8/19/2016. Carried.
On the question – Mayor Manicki this has been deemed uncollectible by the attorney.

MOTION by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize Clerk Wachowiak to forego reserve transfers in the water, ambulance and refuse funds as the funds do not support them for fiscal year end 5/31/17. Carried.

On the question – Mayor Manicki explained that the revenues did not meet expectations, so they will forgo the transfers this year. Water is at a loss and refuse and ambulance broke even. Decreased number of ambulance calls.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Green, to authorize Clerk Wachowiak to complete inter-fund transfers to general fund for fiscal year end 5/31/17. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Green, to authorize Clerk Wachowiak to complete over budget journal entries for fiscal year end 5/31/17. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the Smart Growth Grant. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the fire/EMS calls for July 8-21, 2017. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the following resolution:

Concurring Resolution

The purpose of the resolution is to have on record a statement confirming that the applicant has formally requested a grant, has designated an official to perform the required duties between the applicant and the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning and had assured, where applicable, the provision of local matching funds. In addition, the applicant will comply with all other provisions of the CDBG application. Resolution of the Village of Alden authorizing the filing of an application for funds with the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning.

WHEREAS, the Village of Alden is desirous of obtaining funds from the Department of Environment and Planning in the amount of \$325,000.00 under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Alden does hereby formally request funding from the Department of Environment and Planning; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village of Alden does hereby authorize Mayor Michael Manicki as the official to sign, submit and execute all applications, forms, and contracts between the Village of Alden and Erie County.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Green - aye
Trustee Overhoff-aye
Mayor Manicki-aye Carried.

On the question: Superintendent Sitzman – our contribution is \$119,176.00, we will do some of the work. \$325,000. is the maximum we could get.

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-

Shannon Heneghan for Better Buffalo Properties (Alden Landings) was present to address concerns of the mobile home park license renewal.

Mayor Manicki – this has been an on-going issue with this park, been given several extensions, have not address all the issues. Have met with Mr. Sinatra & Matt Buckley in

the past for the same issues. CEO Czechowski has received Engineer Metzger's proposal (yesterday), but it is not sufficient. Does not address all the drainage issues, easement or the road. Stagnant water still in the south west corner and the road is deteriorating.

Attorney Heneghan – have hired an Engineer and thought everything was being taken care of. Roadway will be repaired, but must do drainage first, miscommunication?

CEO Czechowski – it has been a year, no acknowledgment or reports from Sinatra, no plans submitted concerning rear drainage. No knowledge of easement. Heneghan – will obtain easement when Zoladz agrees to do the work.

Mayor Manicki – the question is: do we give them more time or revoke their license.

CEO Czechowski – the board has 2 options

1). Do not renew license

2). conditions put on the license. Would need a binding agreement from park on the future of the park.

Trustee Overhoff – should set up a meeting with all parties involved. Village, Sinatra, Zoladz, legal representation.

Mayor Manicki – meeting should be before our next board meeting 8/10, with an action plan including a commitment time line, or the board may not renew license.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:

Superintendent Sitzman – Applying for the Smart Growth Grant – if funded will be for August 2018. WWTP updates – pre-bid 7/28, attorney working on contract, RBS's will be delivered, rather than pay \$400,000 to store them in Georgia. Exchange St. and Railroad going well, 90% done. County should be out in next two weeks to mill 40' of Exchange St., and address a small issue of the drainage problems plaguing this section of the street. Needs to complete more drainage issues and mill down to the concrete to really fix the problem. Working on sidewalks on Park and two more water valves. Worked with the town on chip and seal of Sullivan Rd. Getting specs for sidewalks on W. Main and Crittenden, and truck bay. Working with Birch Creek Run due to DEC consent order. Will talk to NYSEG concerning W. Main St.

Attorney Trapp – have been in contact with Time Warner Cable, working on contract.

Clerk Wachowiak – working on BAN renewal for September. Audit starts 7/31, water fund in bad shape. Water bills out August 1, 2017.

CEO Czechowski – license renewals for mobile home parks – distributed a list of outstanding items for parks. Alden Village Estates will be sent a letter and should be able to be in compliance within a month, may need to issue conditional license. Will be on vacation until 8/7. Planning Board looking at making revisions to Cluster Development in the code. Will do all the codes at once. Eastwood property has been sold, and the foreclosure satisfied. Will proceed with addressing code violations.

Mayor Manicki – received a letter from NYSDOT concerning installing RFB (rapid flash beacons) at Broadway and Emerson, nothing concerning who is paying for it. Car Show is Sunday. NYCOM Magazine discusses US Commodities order discounts – sells narcan.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Green, to adjourn the meeting with a moment of silence for Mark Tuburdyke and Marv Bress at 9:05 am. Carried.

I respectfully submit

Sue Galbraith,
Deputy Village Clerk